

HONOURABLE SOCIETIES
of the
INNER AND MIDDLE TEMPLES.



REPORT of the
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
for the year 1946.

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(a) The Sub-Treasurer and Sanitary Authority for the
Inner Temple.

(b) The Under-Treasurer and Sanitary Authority for the
Middle Temple.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit herewith my Annual Report
on the sanitary circumstances and sanitary administration
relating to the Inner and Middle Temples for the year 1946.

(P.T.O.)

BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

- (a) BIRTHS. No births of residents of the Temples were registered during the year. No stillbirths were registered.
- (b) DEATHS. No deaths of residents occurred, within or without the district.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

No case of infectious disease was notified to me as having occurred within the district during 1946. A number of infectious disease contacts were supervised, the chambers concerned being disinfected.

The general health of the district is good.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Details of work done during the year have been supplied to me by your Sanitary Inspectors. Defective sanitary fittings have been promptly repaired and further repairs and replacements have been carried out to waste, soil and rain pipes found to have been damaged by enemy action. Five additional water closets were constructed. The lavatories on staircase at No. 10, King's Bench Walk have been reconstructed and six new W.C's and a set of urinals have been installed in the Temporary Library Building of the Middle Temple. In addition seventeen new pedestal type water closets and flushing cisterns were erected and new drinking water taps have been fitted, with supply direct from the main. Storage cisterns have been cleansed and gullies have been cleared as found necessary. Outside water closets and those on staircases used by more than one tenant have been cleaned and disinfected daily.

The drainage system generally is sound but defects due to enemy action gradually come to notice and are promptly dealt with.

Arrangements for removal and disposal of dust and refuse have proved adequate. During the year many new sanitary dustbins have been provided to replace those worn-out. There is a daily removal of refuse in an appropriate dustcart. Footways and roads have been swept daily and the roads watered during hot weather.

Copies of this report are being transmitted to the Ministry of Health, in accordance with statutory requirements.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

W.H.L. McCARTHY.

Medical Officer of Health,
Honourable Societies of the
Inner and Middle Temples.

3rd July, 1947.